REMARKS

Rejected claims 22 and 23 are canceled herewith, thereby placing the application in condition for allowance with allowed claims 1-21.

Passage to issue is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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